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In re Application of :  
Dirk N. Yerian et al. :  
Application No. 10/716,307 : Decision According Status  
Filed: November 18, 2003 : Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)  
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For: Powder Preheating :  
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed April 16, 2004.

The petition is **granted**.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The Office of Publications will be informed of the instant decision so that a patent may be issued in due course.

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